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Provided are three recent USDA memos:

[SP 11-2013](#) REVISED FNS Guidance to School Food Authorities: Flexibility in the Meat/Meat Alternate and Grain Maximums for School Year 2012-2013

[SP 16-2013](#) REVISED Meat/Meat Alternates and Milk Charts in the Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs

[Section 1 – Meat/Meat Alternates](#)

[Section 2 – Milk](#)

[SP 34-2012](#) Certification of Compliance with New Meal Patterns – Certification Tools, Specifications, and Prototype Attestation statement

[Menu Worksheet Instructions](#) NEW

[Simplified Nutrient Assessment Instructions](#) NEW

(updated instructions, 12/14/12 with SY 2012-13 flexibilities for Menu Worksheet Directions and Nutrient Assessment Directions)

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